



St Francis Xavier's Carfin

Taylor Ave, Carfin, Motherwell ML15AJ



6th June 2021

Solemnity of the Body and Blood of the Lord



EXODUS God has made a covenant with us

The reading from Exodus is the story of the sealing of the Sinai covenant. The Sinai covenant was sealed with two ceremonies: a meal and a blood rite. Each of these signified the sharing of life.

MARK Jesus took break, blessed and broke it

The Gospel tells the story of the sealing of the new covenant. Mark associates the cup of wine with the blood covenant of old. At the Passover supper, Jesus shares a cup of wine with all the disciples. It is the true sign of the shared blood that seals the covenant.

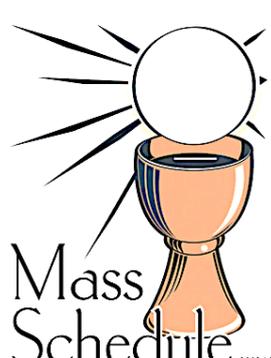


CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION IN THE GROTTO at 3.00pm

A prayerful demonstration of our faith in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

Gather at 'Massabielle' for 2.50pm. Procession will begin at 3.00pm and will conclude with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 'Massabielle'.

Light refreshments in the Xavier Centre afterwards.

MON	NO 10.00am Mass 7.00pm Confirmation Mass	SAT	10.00am First Communion Mass 5.00pm First Communion Mass 5.00pm Vigil Mass at grotto
TUE	11.15am Requiem Mass for Christine Doak 7.00pm Parish Mass	SUN	9.00am Holy Mass 11.00am Holy Mass at the grotto 7.30pm Fatima Devotions and Mass
WED	9.30am Holy Rosary in the church 10.00am Holy Mass in the church		
THU	9.30am Holy Rosary in the church 10.00am Holy Mass in the church		
FRI	Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus 9.30am Holy Rosary in the church 10.00am Holy Mass in the church Pioneers Mass in the church at 7.30pm		

THANK YOU FOR LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Loose & GiftAid	£ 2210
Standing Orders	£ 633
Total	£ 2843
Contactless (<i>Grotto</i>)	£ 15

READERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Sat	5.00pm	Marie Marks
Sun	9.00am	Jim Gibson
Sun	11.00am	William Collum

Let us remember in prayer

Sick: Brian McBride (Plains), John McDevitt (Newarthill), Bridget McDonagh

Recently Dead: Bobby Hobson, John Burns, Gerard McKenna, Michael Kelly, Christine Doak, John Laird, Brian Hamill, Eileen Docherty, Nicola McFarlane, Cathie Collins Lavel, Robbie Mullan, Eddie O'Neil

Anniversary: Jimmy Kelly, Minor & John McLaughlan, Veronica McKenna, Patrick Naughton, James Ward, Phyllis Burns, Pat, Kathleen, Martin & Mary Bridget McDonagh, Sarah Shelly, Helen & William Balmer

Months Mind: James Cullen, James Naughton Snr & Jnr, Winifred Naughton, Trevor Horton, Alex Graham, Bill Milloy, Lauchie Shelley, Francie & Margaret McGeehan, Gerry Keenan, Margaret & Thomas Heffernan, Margaret & Daniel Heffernan, Susan & George Ilgunas, Jimmy Collins

Anniversary of Ordination

Fr. Brian Logue – 60th Anniversary of his Ordination as a Priest

SINCERE SYMPATHIES to the family of the late Christine Doak from Bernadette Crescent who will be buried from our church on Tuesday of this coming week. *May she rest in peace and rise in glory.*

SATURDAY IS THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY which always falls the day after the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. While the feast of the Sacred Heart expresses the Lord's love for us, the feast of the Immaculate Heart displays Our Lady's love for her Son in that she never allowed a sin to enter her heart and encourages us to be the same.



TODAY IN THE GROTTTO Ukrainian Pilgrimage at 12.00noon

JOE WILSON there will be a prayer service to celebrate the life of Joe Wilson at the grotto on Thursday 10th June at 7.30pm

JUNE SPECIAL COLLECTION

During the month of June the Special Collection in our parishes is for the Apostolate of Communications, to assist the funding of the Scottish Catholic Media Office.

Real Colegio de Esoceses, España (Royal Scots College, Spain)



Last Monday, 31 May, marked the **250th anniversary** of the day the first community of priests and students took formal possession of the former Jesuit College of St Ambrose in Valladolid. The College became known as the Royal Scots College, Spain, the seminary I attended from 1977-1983.

Although we lived, slept, ate and prayed in the building above, we attended lectures in the Augustinian Faculty about 20 minutes walk from the college.

WEDNESDAY IS THE FEAST OF SAINT COLUMBA. He was born in Donegal in the year 521, so this year we are marking the 1600th anniversary of his death, but the pandemic has put paid to big celebrations. He left Ireland, feeling responsible for an outbreak of violence which had cost many lives. He vowed never to return until he had won as many souls again for Christ. He was already a monk, and with several fellow-monks sailed away to a point where he could no longer see his native land, and that was the island of Iona on Scotland's western seaboard. From there, he and his missionary monks fanned out over the Highlands and Islands of Scotland to bring the Faith for the first time to many places. He is involved in the first reported sighting of the Loch Ness monster. Local people were being attacked by it and he prevailed upon it to go away and leave the people alone, which it did. He is the patron saint of the Diocese of Argyll and the Isles and also the Diocese of Dunkeld.

ST. COLUMBA



A Novena to St Columba is available for sale in the stall.

20 DAYS FOR LIFE

Due to Tier 4 restrictions, the 2021 Lenten 40 Days for Life peaceful prayer and fasting vigil at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital in Glasgow was postponed. Sadly, in the midst of this current situation the government did not halt or restrict its abortion culture of death.

On March 23rd 2021 the government called for a UK National Day of Reflection to be held for those who had died from Covid the previous year. According to latest official figures at that time there had been 143,259 Covid deaths. The following month April 2021 we marked the 53rd anniversary of the implementation of the 1967 Abortion Act which has resulted in almost **9.5million** deaths of our unborn children here in the UK.

Think of the unborn when you pray the words '*For what I have done and for what I have failed to do*'. Think of those words in the ballot box. '*They will not grow old as we who are left grow old but we will remember them*'.

We are coming out for a 20 Days for Life from June 1st until June 20th outside of the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital in Glasgow from 8am until 8pm each day.

To take part email Ogilvie1615@outlook.com

END 'DIY' ABORTIONS

Carla Lockhart MP has launched a parliamentary motion calling on the Government to end 'DIY' home abortion.

It is therefore vital that as many MPs as possible sign Carla Lockhart's motion to send a clear message to the Government that they must end dangerous 'DIY' home abortion services as soon as possible.

Right To Life UK has launched an easy-to-use tool which makes it simple for you to send an email to your MP asking them to sign the motion. Please click the link below to contact your MP now. It only takes 30 seconds!

www.righttolife.org.uk/DIYmotion



Other Events coming up in the grotto

Sun 20 th June	Motherwell Diocesan Lourdes Hospitalite	Holy Mass and Blessing of the Sick, 3.00pm
Sun 15 th August	Feast of the Assumption of Our Blessed Lady into Heaven	Torchlight Procession
Sun 5 th September	Scottish National Pilgrimage to Carfin	Holy Mass at 3.00pm
Wed 8 th September	Our Lady's Birthday	Torchlight Procession
Sun 10 th October	End of the 'Grotto season'	Torchlight Procession



The First Rosary